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**THE 2016 FEDERAL BUDGET** 

# Capital for the capital

Mayor says the Liberals' budget is 'very good news'



Scholey Metro | Ottawa

The federal Liberals are opening the funding floodgates for cities in the coming years — and Ottawa stands to get a chunk of that change.

The 2016 federal budget, tabled on Tuesday, is packed with nuggets for the nation's capital — \$156.4 million to expand the Canada Science and Technology Museum, \$114.9 million to revamp the National Arts Centre, and \$62 million for a sewage tunnel to clean up the Ottawa River, among

A \$11.9-billion fund over five years for transit will help with "large-scale" projects, including Ottawa's light rail transit line. But the city still has to apply for and negotiate an exact dollar figure for Phase 2 of the LRT.

As expected, the federal Liberals will fund up to 50 per cent of city infrastructure projects.

This budget signals "very good news" for Ottawa residents, says Mayor Jim Watson.

"It's a very positive signal on the part of the federal government that they understand that there are a number of municipalities that don't have the full financial capacity to pay for all these projects," he said. "If we want to see light rail travel farther east and west and south, this gives us that opportunity to free up about \$500 million."

There are other shovel-ready city projects that could be eligible for federal funding, said Watson, including a "backlog" of social housing repairs.

This year's federal deficit will be about \$30 billion.

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### E 2016 FEDERAL BUDGET



#### **COMMITMENTS THE FEDS** ARE MAKING TO THE CITY

The nation's capital didn't get left out in the **Lucy Scholey** federal Liberal government's first budget. Here's a look at which **Haley Ritchie Emma Jackson** projects will receive new funding. Metro | Ottawa



#### **Cultural investments**

The budget includes new investments in arts and culture specifically for Ottawa institutions. The Canadian Science and Technology Museum will get \$156.9 million over the next three years to support "the construction of a new collection and conservation centre." Another \$114.9 million will go to the National Arts Centre renewal and \$9.6 million to the National Gallery for needed repairs. An additional \$168.2 million will contribute to the "Canada Cultural Spaces Fund" over the next two years.

#### Flying high

The Ottawa Macdonald-Cartier International Airport will receive a portion of \$8.3 million for improvements to Transport Canada facilities used for aircraft testing. That's part of a \$186.6 million bundle for federal transportation assets, which includes funding for harbour protection (wharves, shore protection and floats) and infrastructure upgrades at Gros-Cacouna port in Quebec.



#### LRT project stays on track

The Liberals made a point of mentioning Ottawa's Stage 2 LRT plans as part of the \$3.4 billion it will spend on public transit over the next three years. While the budget didn't spell out exactly how much Ottawa will get, Ontario will receive the most money of any province or territory — nearly \$1.5 billion — since it's home to 44 per cent of the nation's ridership. That may sound like a lot, but the Conservatives committed \$1 billion to Ottawa's project, two-thirds of Ontario's entire three-year allotment.



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The Liberals have recommitted to funding already approved by the Harper government, including \$62 million for Ottawa's combined sewage storage tunnel. The crosstown tunnel project is a key part of the city's Ottawa River Action Plan to clean up the river, because it will intercept overflowing sewage during rainstorms and redirect it to treatment plants.





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# TERRORIST ATTACK ON BRUSSELS

# Recounting 'massive chaos'

LOCAL CONNECTION

#### Carleton grad describes the bombing at a metro station



The walk to work for Carleton University graduate Anca Gurzu might have looked different if she left her home in Brussels a little earlier on Tuesday morning.

The office of the Politico Europe reporter sits 150 metres from the Maelbeek metro station, where an explosion ripped through the Belgian capital's central European district at around 8 a.m. Tuesday. It was the third bombing attack to hit the city soon after two explosions shook the Belgium Airport.

At least 31 people were killed and about 190 wounded, according to reports.

Gurzu described the scene as "massive chaos," with confused, anxious drivers and pedestrians navigating police blockades.

"We were seeing dozens of ambulances rushing. There were helicopters hovering above us," she said, in a phone call from Brussels, where sirens could still be heard in the background at around 5:30 p.m. in Belgium.

"It was quite the scene, but we didn't know what was happening for a while."

One of her colleagues happened to be staying in a hotel near the Maelbeek station, where medics were treating wounded victims.

Gurzu tried going to the airport, but the subway, buses and Uber were not running.

"There was already big traffic



People light candles at a memorial set up outside the stock exchange in Brussels on Tuesday. Inset: Explosions, at least one likely caused by a suicide bomber, rocked the Brussels airport and subway system, prompting a lockdown of the Belgian capital and heightened security across Europe. GEERT VANDEN WIJNGAERT/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Sophie and I join all Canadians in extending our deepest condolences to the families and friends of those killed.

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau in a statement

problems in Brussels," she said. Belgian prosecutor Frederic Van Leeuw said two suicide bomb-

Van Leeuw said two suicide bombers "probably" staged attacks at the airport. Police are still seeking a third suspect, who is believed to have fled.

Another bomb was found at the airport and detonated.

There were suspicious pack-

ages at the Maelbeek station and Brussels University, but authorities later said they did not contain explosives. Belgium raised its terror alert to the highest level and Air Canada cancelled all flights to the country.

Here in the National Capital Region, the cities of Ottawa and Gatineau showed solidarity with the people of Belgium.

Gatineau lowered the flags on city buildings, while Ottawa City Hall raised the Belgian flag.

"This time, it's Belgium that's struck by barbarism," said Gatineau Mayor Maxime Pedneaud-Jobin in a statement posted to the city's website. "I offer my condolences and those of Gatineau residents to Belgians from here and elsewhere."

Ottawa Mayor Jim Watson tweeted that the Belgium flag would fly at city hall for three days "in solidarity with the people of Belgium."

Ontario Premier Kathleen





The flag of Belgium flies next to the Canadian flag outside city hall near Parliament Hill in Ottawa. ADRIAN WYLD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Wynne also tweeted her condolences.

"Horrified & saddened to hear of terror attacks in Brussels," she said. "We send our sympathies to friends & families of those who have lost their lives."

In condemning the attacks, Quebec Premier Philippe Couillard said the province stands by Belgium.

"We will stand up in adversity; closer, stronger and more determined than ever to defend our gains and to continue the fight against radicalization," he said.

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau said Canada would work closely

with its allies to fight terrorism and "bring to justice" those responsible for planning such attacks

"I am outraged and deeply saddened by the news that so many have been killed and injured in terrorist attacks targeting the people of Brussels, Belgium," he said, in a statement posted to the Global Affairs Canada website.

"Sophie and I join all Canadians in extending our deepest condolences to the families and friends of those killed. We also hope for a fast recovery to all those who have been injured."

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Emma Desjardins, a barista at Art-Is-In Bakery, demonstrates her latte art skills, a preview of what to expect at Wednesday night's competition. ASHLEY MOFFATT/FOR METRO

# Latte art contest puts baristas head-to-head

ART-IS-IN BAKERY

**Organizers** hope to brew interest in coffee scene

**Ashley** Moffatt For Metro | Ottawa

It's a steamed-milk showdown that latte-sippers will lap up.

Art-Is-In Bakery is holding a latte art showdown to crown Ottawa's best barista. Each competitor gets to choose their own size of cup, in which they will steam their own milk to create a unique design. No tools allowed, either. The competitors have to create their designs simply by pouring milk into their coffees.

"They do a design, normally a rosette or heart," said Art-Is-In owner Stephanie Mathieson. "The more layers you have and the more symmetry you have in your design, it'll make it more special."

The contestants will be

The more layers you have and the more symmetry you have in your design, it'll make it more special.

registration fee to show off your latte art skills in competition.

Stephanie Mathieson

judged on the degree of difficulty of their design. Is the design a simple heart, or does it have multiple lines and sym-

The registration fee is \$10. The winner gets the grand total of all the registration fees, while the runners up will get smaller prizes donated by the businesses participating in the event.

Mathieson said she got inspiration for the event from a trip out to the western United States in 2010, before she started the bakery.

"The coffee community was so strong there, we were blown away," she said.

"We find that the coffee community is so strong in the west of Canada and the States. We're just happy to be participating of the development of this community here. We want to get together with the local businesses and the baristas just to share the love of coffee."

Art-Is-In Bakery takes coffee seriously all year long, she added, training their baristas to brew the best beans that they can.

"Everybody has to go through training before pouring any shots for espressos," said Mathieson. "It starts with a two-day seminar on the basics of coffee and latte art.

They learn about the different tastes, coffees, different styles."

The latte throwdown will also feature local Ottawa bands and DJs between barista headto-heads, and after a winner is finally crowned.



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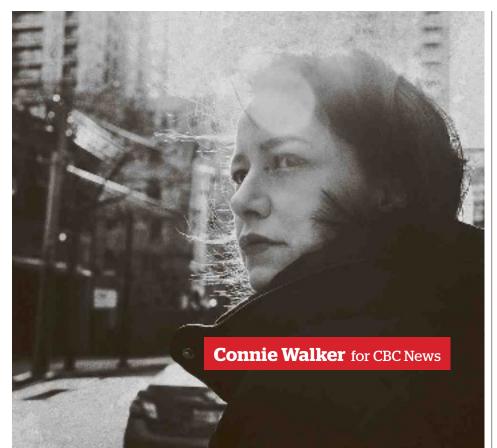


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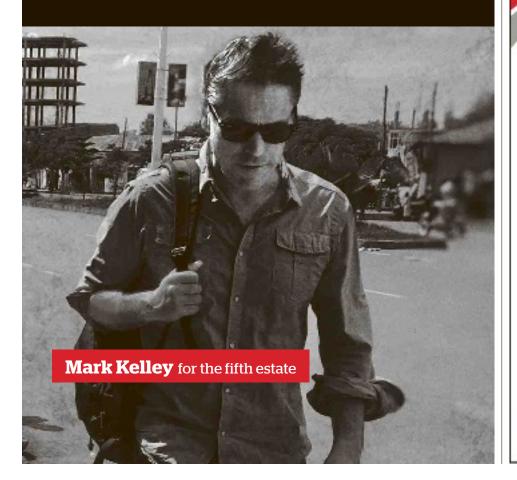


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# Ontario cuffs police carding

LAW AND ORDER

#### Officers will also receive training on racism, biases

Police in Ontario will have to inform people that they don't have to provide identifying information under new regulations the Liberal government says will ban the practice

known as

carding or street checks.

However, the government admitted it has no idea how much it will cost to train more than 26,000 officers on the regulations, which state that police must provide a reason for requesting identifying information from someone.

"Of course there's costs involved, but we need to make sure that this cost will result in trust and respect between our police and our communities," said Community and Public Safety Minister Yasir Naqvi. "This is about building safer communities, and I don't think anybody can put a cost or a price point on that very important, fundamental value of our society."



Yasir Naqvi

The government is also promising a roundtable of experts to advise the Ontario Police College on the development of new training for officers on racism, bias awareness and discrimination.

It said all officers will be trained by Jan. 1, 2017. As of that day, race is prohibited for being any part of a police officer's reason for attempting to collect someone's identifying information.

Police must tell people they have a right not to talk with them, and refusing to co-operate or walking away cannot then be used as reasons to compel information.

"The police officer must also explain the reason why you are being asked for your information," Naqvi said.

Police can gather personal information during routine traffic stops, when someone is being arrested or detained, or when a search warrant is executed. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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George Ross will share his knowledge April 11. CONTRIBUTED

#### **SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT**

### Trump real estate guru visits Ottawa

We've wanted to

bring him out for

over a year.

Lisa Sabatini, ORIEO

George Ross, a man who helped build Donald Trump's real estate empire, is bringing his decades of knowledge and experience to an upcoming Ottawa event.

The Ottawa Real Estate Investment Organization will be hosting a special evening with Ross as its guest, April 11 at the St. Elias Conference Centre.

Only recently retired, the time was right for Donald Trump's 88-year-old former right-hand man to share some of the things he learned over his long ca-

reer, according to ORIEO executive board member Lisa Sabatini.

"We've wanted to bring him out for over a year, well before Trump decided to run (for U.S. president)," Sabatani said. "He was Trump's attorney for nearly 40 years of real estate transactions. He also taught a course at New York City University for 15 years on negotiation. He's a master at what he does.

His experience and excellent speaking ability will bring the kind of experience that no event to date has brought as far as real estate development in Ottawa."

With the current U.S. political climate, anything Trumprelated is a hot topic. However, the organizers at ORIEO are adamant that this is not a political event. While the Trump campaign's profile has the potential to influence attendance numbers, Sabatani feels Ross's

appearances on The Apprentice will be a bigger factor.

"The fact that George has such immense experience in real estate investment and negotiation

overtakes any negative Trump ... media," said Sabatani.

"People recognizing him from the show will affect the attendance. I think that's as far as it'll go."

There are general admission and VIP tickets available for those interested in attending. VIP seat purchasers will receive priority seating, a copy of Ross's book Trump Style Negotiation and have the opportunity to get it signed along with a photo opportunity. MARC SHAW/OTTAWA BUSINESS JOURNAL



#### IN BRIEF

#### **Nuit Blanche put to rest**

Ottawa's annual art festival, Nuit Blanche, has announced the cancelling of this year's event.

According to managing director Ariane Nazroo, a number of factors went into the decision.

"In the past it has been a volunteer-based organization and we've been a very small team of volunteers," said Nazroo. "But after this year we decided to take some time to restructure and to build towards the future of the event"

One of the contributing factors behind the delay is a lack of money to pay Nuit Blanche's organizers, she said. ASHLEY MOFFATT/FOR METRO

# A medical joint operation

#### BUSINESS

#### Ottawa and Winnipeg pot firms sign pact

Ottawa-based GrowPros Cannabis Ventures has signed a definitive agreement with Winnipeg's Delta 9 Bio-Tech that will see the two medical marijuana firms collaborate on a number of projects, including their application to be a licensed producer under Canada's Marijuana for Medical Purposes Regulation.

"Over the past year, we have worked closely with Delta 9 to establish a strong and mutually beneficial business relationship," GrowPros CEO Ryan Brown said in a statement. "This agreement is the culmination of that hard work and sets the foundation for Grow-Pros and Delta 9 to continue

collaborating on a variety of business opportunities."

The deal signed late last week allows the growing Delta 9 brand access to GrowPros established cannabis production facility in Low, Que. GrowPros is able to produce on its own, but has been moving into a position that would allow it to facilitate licensed growers by providing space and equipment.

Delta 9 is a licensed producer under Canada's Marijuana

for Medical Purposes Regulation (MMPR) and will be collaborating with GrowPros for compensation in the form of cash and shares that have an aggregate value of \$2 million.

GrowPros will be responsible for financing the design, development, construction and other costs that relate to Delta 9's licensing of their facility in Low. Construction costs are projected to be approximately \$3 million. OTTAWA BUSINESS JOURNAL



# **ROB FORD: 1969-2016**

INFLUENCE

### Ford's legacy will last



Matt Elliott Metro|Toronto

Even when Rob Ford's appearances at Toronto City Hall became less and less frequent due to illness, the city's most infamous ex-mayor maintained a presence — a political influence that refused to quit. Ford's death on Tuesday at the age of 46 is unlikely to change that.

Despite a mayoralty that will be remembered most for all the things that happened away from his office, Ford's legacy within city hall has already shown itself to be strong. Much of it is related to the issues that defined Ford's brand of political populism: the sanctity of cars and subways, the inherent evils of taxation, the supposed existence of oodles of government waste.

With all such issues, too much decision making continues to be shaped by a fear shared by several of his former council colleagues — especially those in the city's suburbs.

They worry that taking a position too contrary to those held by the former mayor will attract the rage of a group of voters: the "Ford Nation."

It's a tricky legacy. On one hand, it's enormously frustrating. So many of Ford's positions were based on feelings instead of facts. They made for disastrously bad policy decisions. But on the other hand, the fear of Ford works as a check on those who would assume the entire amalgamated city has bought into the virtue of transit, bikes, urbanism and public services.



Rob Ford at his campaign launch in April 2014. The former Toronto mayor has died of cancer at 46. NATHAN DENETTE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Ford defied the odds

**FORMER TORONTO MAYOR** 

#### Politician was a penny pincher infamous for personal excess

For all his bad — which was considerable — Rob Ford left us with enough good to comfort his boosters.

Unique doesn't begin to describe the astonishing, incomprehensible, indecipherable headscratcher of a politician. Gaffes and impolitic indiscretions that would sink mere mortals seemed to conspire to elevate his status.

This is a man, without a college degree, who by most calculations would be hard-pressed to ascend to the executive offices of the city's boardrooms; and yet, mayor of the country's largest city. And for four years, the most (in)famous mayor in all the world.

Rarely has Toronto's name

been on the lips of so many for so long and in so many far reaches of the world.

Wherever political scientists study voting phenomenon, they'll be stretched to explain how a young man from centralnorth Etobicoke — a simple man trading on the means of his politician-turned-businessman father — could parlay such limited recognizable skills into securing the votes of so many of the most fickle of customers.

Rob Ford seemed always to defy the odds. He seemed to live by his own rules. Exploding grenades didn't shatter his façade, they propelled him into the air. The more he sank into the morass of personal excess — the alcohol and drugs — the more entrenched, though narrowed, his appeal.

He called black voters by the most vile smears and many of the targeted defended him with vigour. He relished in his efforts to cut and contain spending — money needed to fix up

social housing — yet would go on scripted trips into brokendown social housing units to show how much he cared about the beleaguered residents.

If he was a one-trick pony, the crowd at the carnival seemed mesmerized every time. In more than 15 years of municipal pol-



Exploding grenades didn't shatter his façade, they propelled him into the air.

itics, Ford never lost an election. His singular appeal was his message that never grew old and never lost appeal:

"You can trust me with your money. I'm not going to waste it." Ford's genius — crafted or naturally acquired — is that he

connected with the average guy. Bumbling, stumbling, a bit off kilter, never well-dressed, rumpled, a bit awkward, politically incorrect, overweight, bumptious while shy, he represented the imperfections in all of us, even those of us who despised him for it.

His singular appeal as a politician was "customer service." He answered the phone calls of his constituents. Personally. He showed up to their door to attend to their little problems. And constituents never forgot that.

Even when Ford's behaviour became contemptible and evoked apologies from Ford himself, none was needed. They were standing by their guy.

They call it retail politics. And Rob Ford was so successful in growing the brand that his brother, Doug, almost rode it to victory in the last municipal election.

Rob Ford was Toronto's 64th mayor, the third after the controversial and forced amalgamation that created the megacity in 1998. He will not be forgotten any time soon. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

HITS AND MISSES

# A mixed legacy on policy

In his four-year term as mayor, Rob Ford was at the centre of many well-documented scandals, both personal and political. His legacy on policy at city hall is just as complicated.

#### SUCCESSES

**Privatizing garbage:** After promising to contract out garbage citywide, Ford claimed victory for contracting out just one west-end district when council approved that move in 2011.

**Subways:** Ford's ongoing mission to put all-new transit underground served up one victory in October 2013 when council voted to scrap plans for a fully funded LRT in the east end and build a three-stop subway instead.

#### **MISSTEPS**

**Subways:** After declaring former mayor David Miller's lightrail plan dead as his first official act as mayor, Ford put forward his own subways-heavy transit plan for council approval. But he failed to garner council support and the plan was defeated in February 2012.

Plastic bags banned: Though not a campaign promise, Ford decided he wanted to end a mandatory five-cent fee for plastic shopping bags in 2010, a plan that spectacularly backfired when council actually voted to ban plastic bags when it came to a vote in 2012. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE



Ford at city hall in May 2013. MICHELLE SIU/THE CANADIAN PRESS

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### EDERAL BUDGET

# Liberals make it rain

#### Child benefit, native welfare cornerstones of huge spend

Justin Trudeau's Liberals are opting to spend heavily in their first budget to deliver the "bold, transformative" change they say is needed to put Canadians on firm footing for the future.

The Liberal budget unveiled Tuesday calls for new spending in the billions of dollars for indigenous communities, middleclass families, transit upgrades and social housing in cities and towns across Canada. It provides more cash for children and their parents, poor seniors, unemployed Canadians and injured veterans.

For all that, Canada's finances will go deep into the red for the next five years as Liberals set aside election pledges to contain deficit spending.

Instead, the government said it will take advantage of low

interest rates to borrow money and spend nearly \$30 billion more this year than it takes in as revenue.

The Liberals had vowed to keep the deficit to no more than \$10 billion and to eliminate it by the end of their mandate. Tuesday's budget predicts a deficit of \$14.3 billion in 2020-21.

The plan unveiled by Finance Minister Bill Morneau doesn't set out how or when the books will be balanced, although he told reporters if growth is better than forecast, the country could be back in the black in five years.

"Some (projects) are urgently needed and require the government to act quickly. But in every case, investments will be made with a focus on long-term value so that Canadians will reap the benefits far into the future," Morneau said in the House of Commons.

He stressed the Liberals' priority was to grow the middle class — the title he gave to the 269-page document.

He told the Commons that the Liberal plan — which will see the deficit grow to \$29.4 billion in 2016-17 — is "reasonable and affordable."

At the core of the Liberal strategy is the Canada Child Benefit, some \$5 billion in new spending a year that Morneau boasted was a social program to rival universal health care.

"It will lift hundreds of thousands of kids up from poverty," Morneau said.

Morneau did not deliver a promised small-business two



Bill Morneau, right, with Justin Trudeau as he makes his way to deliver the budget. SEAN KILPATRICK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

percentage point tax cut.

Morneau also declared he was "most proud" of the new investment in indigenous communities, saying the more than \$8 billion pledged over five years for education, nursing stations, housing and sewer and water treatment is more than the \$5 billion promised by a previous Liberal

ernment's Kelowna Accord in

The defence department will see its capital spending deferred as the budget delays \$3.7 billion for big-ticket capital projects, confirmation that new military hardware remains years away.

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2005. The Conservative government cancelled that agreement.

> If you were expecting Tuesday's federal budget to usher in a new golden age of infrastructure in Canada, you're going to have to wait a little longer, experts say.

Finance Minister Bill Morneau began his budget speech by referencing the postwar construction boom in Canada that saw massive projects like the Trans-Canada Highway and St. Lawrence Seaway built.

Building boom yet

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However, the actual vision presented in budget is less grandiose.

The Liberals campaigned on investing \$60 billion in infrastructure over 10 years. The "first phase" of that plan only includes \$11.9 billion over five years.

"I think it's a down payment on the infrastructure needs of our cities," said University of Toronto planning professor Matti Siemiatycki.

The Federation of Canadian Municipalities estimates that national infrastructure backlog tips the scales at \$123 billion.

Siemiatycki applauded the decision to allow federal money to be spent on maintenance, rather than just new projects.

"We need to emphasize getting our house in order. Getting our existing infrastructure up to a state of good repair is a good place to start," he said.

#### **2016-17 DEFICIT**



# Tories' family-friendly measures transformed

The Liberal government is delivering on its promise to help parents with the high cost of raising children by scrapping some Conservative family-friendly measures in favour of a more streamlined and tax-free Canada Child Benefit.

"The Canada Child Benefit is

the most significant social policy innovation in a generation," Finance Minister Bill Morneau said Tuesday in his speech to the House of Commons.

The new program coming into effect July 1 rolls four former benefits — including the Universal Child Care Benefit and the

income-splitting scheme for twoparent households the Conservatives brought in last year — into a single monthly payment the Liberal government promises is both more generous and better targeted to families that need it.

The Canada Child Benefit will provide an annual benefit of

up to \$6,400 per child under the age of six and up to \$5,400 per child for those between the ages of six and 17. The benefit is geared to household income, with families making less than \$30,000 annually in net income getting the maximum benefit.

"That is money in the pockets

of Mom and Dad. Money that can go directly to eating healthier food, paying the rent and buying new clothes," Morneau said.

The new measure comes with a net cost of \$22.4 billion over five years, with \$9.89 billion of the cost coming in the first two years. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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**SPECIAL EDITION** 

#### Wednesday, March 23, 2016

### RIST ATTACK ON BRUSSELS



Solidarity messages outside the stock exchange in Brussels. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

### Display of solidarity in chalk

the stock exchange in Brussels became a colourful canvas of support and defiance after Tuesday's deadly bombings as those wanting to show solidarity chalked messages — in French, Flemish, English, Arabic and Cyrillic script and more.

A few thousand people were gathered at Brussels' Place de la Bourse late Tuesday to draw dles. One group broke into Edith Piaf's "Hymne a L'amour" (Hymn to Love) as onlookers applauded. Next, they sang the Belgian national anthem, in both French and Flemish.

Many of the drawings were joyous, with slogans like "Spread love," "Live and Let Live" and "Love is my religion." Others were more political:

simply raw - one small message read: "I'm scared."

The vibe was generally upbeat, with laughing and joking, but there was an strong undercurrent of sadness.

At the centre of the square, a memorial was improvised out of flags, tea lights, balloons, flowers and beer bottles.

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A Belgian soldier patrols outside Brussels Central Station as people are allowed in groups of ten to reach the station to catch their train following attacks in Brussels. AFP/GETTY IMAGES

# Fear part of **Europe life**

#### Cities spared violence so far watching in trepidation

Paris, Copenhagen, Brussels. In just over a year three European capitals have been ravaged by bombs and gunfire.

After each attack life slowly returns to normal. But it's a new normal for Europe, where terror alerts are always on high and where people in cities so far spared assume it's a matter of when, not if.

"With each atrocity that occurs we change," said Ian Duncan, a Scottish member of the European Parliament in Brussels. "We become less open. We pull down barriers and close doors."

The carnage in Brussels on Tuesday came as Europe was still reeling from the November attacks in Paris that killed

130 people. In the following months France and Belgium have looked like countries at least partially at war, with soldiers in the streets, lockdowns and deadly shootouts with militants.

The rest of Europe has watched with trepidation.

"These were attacks in Belgium. They could just as well be attacks in Britain or France or Germany or elsewhere in Europe," British Prime Minister David Cameron told the BBC on Tuesday.

French President Francois Hollande said the attacks targeted all of Europe and he

warned of a long "war" ahead. Though people in Western Europe have dealt with the threat of violence for decades, the idea that a "war" is playing out in their streets is hard to imagine. But the recent frequency and scale of attacks have made some Europeans feel that it's just something they have to get used to. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

#### **UNITED STATES**

#### Security stepped up over fears of copycat attacks

The Obama administration stepped up security at major transit hubs across the country after Tuesday's airport and subway bombings in Brussels, as top U.S. intelligence officials warned of the risk for copycat attacks at home. Homeland Security Secretary Jeh

Johnson stressed there is no "specific, credible intelligence" pointing to a similar plot in America, but he said the Transportation Security Administration would deploy additional security at major airports and rail stations. Officials also reviewed additional security measures for travellers from Belgium. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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### **ATTACK ON BRUSSELS**



**TERMINOLOGY** 

#### **Terrorist organization will** be referred to as 'Daesh'

Starting today, Metro will refer to terrorist organization ISIS or ISIL by the title Daesh: In long form Arabic, al-Dawla al-Islamiya fi al-Iraq wa al-Sham.

Daesh itself has abandoned the shortened term because it is too close to the Arabic words that mean "one who crushes underfoot," or "sowers of discord." It's also similar to the word for bigot.

Those are much closer to the truth, and have the added benefit that "Daesh" also insults, rather than flatters, the group, METRO

#### **BELGIUM ATTACKS**

#### At least 34 dead after two explosions in airport, subway

Islamic extremists struck Tuesday in the heart of Europe, killing at least 34 people and wounding scores of others in back-to-back bombings of the Brussels airport and subway that again laid bare the continent's vulnerability to suicide squads.

Bloodied and dazed travellers staggered from the airport

after two explosions — at least one blamed on a suicide attacker and another reportedly on a suitcase bomb — tore through crowds checking in for morning flights. About 40 minutes later, another blast struck subway commuters in central Brussels near the Maelbeek station, which sits amid the European Commission headquarters.

Authorities released a photo taken from closed-circuit TV footage of three men pushing luggage carts, saying two of them apparently were the suicide bombers and that the third — dressed in a light-colored coat, black hat and glasses — was at large. The two

men believed to be the suicide attackers apparently were wearing dark gloves on their left hands.

In this time of traged

In its claim of responsibility, the Daesh group said its members detonated suicide vests both at the airport and in the subway.

Belgium raised its terror alert to the highest level, shut the airport through Wednesday and ordered a citywide lockdown, deploying about 500 soldiers onto Brussels' largely empty streets to bolster police checkpoints.

In police raids across the city, authorities later found a nailfilled bomb, chemical products and a Daesh flag in a house in the Schaerbeek neighbourhood,

the state prosecutors' office said in a statement.

German police say three Kosovars who are suspected of possible links to an extremist network have been arrested on the Munich-Salzburg highway in the south of the country. However, the criminal police office said that there are no indications at this point of any link with the attacks.

"In this time of tragedy, this black moment for our country, I appeal to everyone to remain calm but also to show solidarity," said Belgian Prime Minister Charles Michel.

President Barack Obama has ordered that all American flags

in the U.S. be flown at half-staff through Saturday out of respect.

The UN Security Council has strongly condemned the attacks and urged intensified regional and international efforts "to overcome terrorism and violent extremism."

The Security Council also underlined the need to bring those responsible for "these reprehensible acts of terrorism to

Police are calling on people who may have filmed images from the attacks on the city airport and subway to assist with the investigation.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

#### **TESTIMONY**

### UN: Don't scapegoat refugees

The UN official in charge of aiding Mideast refugees said on Tuesday that anger over the attacks in Brussels shouldn't be directed at those fleeing Syria's bloody civil war or violence elsewhere in the region.

Amin Awad, the Middle East and North Africa bureau and regional refugee co-ordinator for Syria, also criticized the worldwide "political failure" that has seen donations dry up for aid to those part of the greatest mass migration in Europe since World

"There's no Plan B. There's only Plan A," Awad told The Associated Press on the sidelines of the Dubai International Humanitarian Aid & Development Conference.

"There's no way out. The only way is that the bill is paid if we are to avert the crisis," he stressed. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS







#### **BELGIUM MOBILIZES**

High security measures—Police forces make searches

inside the North station in Brussels..

Suspects' photos released— A picture released by the Belgian federal police shows the suspects.

Videos surface — This image grab from a video by RTL TVI shows people lying on the floor after the blast.

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#### **ROSEMARY WESTWOOD A VERY BIG NEWS DAY**

# WHEN OUR PURPOSE IS CLEAR

Sometimes, when a major story breaks, and then another — all before a long-scheduled announcement, which everyone thought would be the day's main story, is formally released — journalists can set aside their competitiveness and existential angst. For once, we're not trying to scoop each other and justify our existence. **We know what needs doing** — **we just need to do it** 

The day began with the terrorist bombing in Brussels. A phone alarm ringing, the CNN breaking-news alert flashed red across the screen. At least 26 dead in two attacks (it would rise to 30), and many more

The American network mocked for overplaying its breaking-news banner wasn't upselling this.

In the news business, it would be a big day. The kind of day where journalists around the world wrestle with one story, seek to make sense of one globally reverberating event. In their own ways, from their own perch on the world. Walking into work, you could imagine reporters in hundreds of cities, most especially in Europe, pushing open newsroom doors with the same questions on their mind: What happened in Brussels, how and why, and what will happen next? And how do we cover it?

How do we tell people what is going on?

Live-feeds began rolling: piecemeal and conflicting reports that slowly coalesced into a truer picture. Journalists hugged the bombing sites, reporting any and all details. One Sky News reporter was at the airport buying chocolate

for his children, so close to the explosion that he could not only hear, but feel the blasts. "There was the smell — the sort of acrid smell of smoke. Instinctively we knew it was a terrorist attack. I didn't think it could be anything else," he later wrote.

Then, by midday, Rob Ford's family had announced the popular-yet-detested, controversial-yet-engrossing, outsized-in-so-many-ways former mayor had died after fighting the rare and aggressive form of cancer, pleomorphic liposarcoma.

Condolences from adversaries and friends flooded social media and were plucked by reporters to fill news-story soundbites. Colourful obituaries, the only kind imaginable for Ford, shot up on websites. Breaking-news specials, recorded in advanced, co-opted national networks.

Rob Ford: 1969-2016.

Twitter says some were celebrating the death, but I never saw it. I saw photos of lineups at city hall, where mourners waited to sign a condolence book. My colleague Jessica Smith Cross, at the scene, found supporters "already missing Ford," who had come to remember "the people's mayor."

The Toronto Star, vilified



It's in the wake of huge, emotionally charged stories that the media most resembles the information commons that it purports to be. TWITTER

by Ford during his tenure, used soft language to report his death and encapsulate his impact on city politics. On national politics, really. Meanwhile, the family that managed to stay so out-of-the-headlines even while Ford was all the world could talk about, asked for privacy from the media.

They had lost a father/brother/son/uncle, after all. While the rest of us had only lost an avatar.

Across Toronto, there was again the feeling of reporters
— on death watch since news

on Thursday that Ford was in palliative care — collectively breathing in, and publishing the best take they had on Ford's legacy.

How were his passionate,

How were his passionate, hyper-loyal acolytes — Ford Nation — handling the news? What did his loss mean to them? Would they ever coalescence around a voice like that again? And are there other Rob Fords, in other Canadians cities, ready to upend politics-as-usual and unearth a hitherto silent but angry constituency?

Then: "F-kl" a colleague yelled, pushing back from his desk. "We have a pedestrian death, on top of everything."

By "everything," he also meant the much-anticipated federal budget, which, at around 4 p.m., pushed through many of the Liberals' campaign promises, billions on infrastructure, indigenous peoples and child care, along with something that wasn't promised: a much deeper deficit.

"Is the new Canada Child Benefit fair," one reporter tweeted, with a link to analysis, in one of hundreds of niche headlines to emerge. After the minister of finance finished his speech, premiers and mayors walked up to podiums to pronounce on their pet interests wrapped up in the \$300-billion budget, and the news cycle whirled on.

The day was a microcosm for our super-speed world, a tight 24 hours of information overload. "This might be the most newsy day of my entire career as a journalist," a desk mate quipped.

It was also the kind of day that feels worth it. When journalists aren't tolerated they are needed. Something important has happened (or many things). People want to know what, exactly. People need the context. They need the news.

This is journalism's job. This was one of journalism's days. A day that saw less a competition among media outlets, than a collective effort to give our societies the desired facts: those essential building blocks of understanding, and agency.

Tuesday was the kind of day that feels worth it. When journalists aren't tolerated — they are needed.

People need the context.

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# Budget delivers artists a break

The Liberals are investing more than \$1.9 billion in arts and culture over the next five years. Beyond an additional \$575 million in cultural infrastructure funding (for museums and heritage sites), the budget allocates money to bodies that distribute grants and commission work. It's good news for young artists.

**MEGAN HAYNES/METRO** 

#### **MACKENZIE DONALDSON FILMMAKER**

#### **INTORONTO**

Canadian cinema relies almost exclusively on grants and organizations like Telefilm or the Independent Production Fund for financing. But it can be hard for filmmakers to get in on the action. Mackenzie Donaldson, 28, personally financed her first two short

It wasn't until she came on board in 2014 to produce the critically acclaimed web series Whatever, Linda, which follows secretaries running a Ponzi scheme in the 1970s, that she was able to access any third-party financing.



LIZ BEDDALL/METRO

Her next project, a feature-length film based on a Susan Swan novel, just received funding from Telefilm.

That money just makes it so much easier to carve out the time (to work on the film), pay our writers. Now this project has a future," she says.

'Competition (for funding) is fierce, but raising up the young producers and filmmakers in this country is vital for the future of Canadian cinema. It's hugely important that money exists.

#### **JENNIFER CRIGHTON ARTIST**

#### **IN CALGARY**

Calgary-based Jennifer Crighton, 35, isn't a starving artist. But she's not exactly rolling in the dough. The musician and visual artist has a salaried job with the Calgary International Film Festival, but her art shows only pay \$200 (which is not a lot considering how much work goes into creating her art), and music gigs inconsistently pay anywhere from \$50 to \$400.

But more funding at the federal level isn't necessarily going to change things, she says. Grants, one of the more common ways



KENNETH APPLEBY/METRO

artist can access federal money, are difficult to get. What's more, the funds usually only pay for the artistic project itself, leaving little to line the creators' pockets.

"It's hard to make good work if you're worried about paying for it," she says.

"The best way to make sure you're getting good work is to guarantee the artists' fees first."

#### **KEATON LEIER DANCER**

#### **IN WINNIPEG**

Keaton Leier, a 19-yearold from Saskatoon, is in his final year of training at the Royal Winnipeg Ballet School and looking for his next opportunity on the stage. He plans to pursue a career as a ballet dancer - a daunting task considering the limited spots in Canada or around the world. It's also not a particularly lucrative career. The majority of professional dancers earn less than \$50,000, and that varies by company and position. Training is

expensive: the sevenyear program costs more than \$154,000.



Leier has received some federally funded scholarships over the years, but roughly 50 per cent of his financing comes from private donors. Increased federal funding could provide a sense of stability, he says, since private donors don't have to recommit year-over-year.

Overall, Leier is grateful for whatever money flows through the arts.

"I wouldn't be the same dancer I am now if it weren't for these scholarships," he says.

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# A BREAKDOWN OF NEW FUNDS

#### WHAT WAS PROMISED

The Liberal party promised to reinvest in the CBC to the tune of \$75 million additional funding in 2016, and up to \$150 million in annual funding by 2017.

The Liberal government promised to double the budget for the Canadian Council of the arts, which provides grants to artists and musicians across Canada. It promised \$90 million in 2016, and then an additional \$180 million by 2017.

The Liberals also said they would provide \$10 million in funding for international arts and cultural exchange programs for 2016, and then an additional \$25 million in funding in 2017 and 2018.

During the campaign both Telefilm and the National Film Board, which fund Canadian cinema, were promised an additional \$25 million annually between the two organizations.

#### WHAT THEY DELIVERED

The CBC saw its promised \$75 million for 2016, and another \$150 million for each year after until 2021.

The CCA will receive \$40 million in 2016, and an additional \$75 million in 2017. It won't be until 2020 that it sees its budget doubled. While this is less than what was promised, Simon Brault, CEO and director of the CCA, said a priority will remain on increasing opportunities for youth and indigenous voices in the arts community.

There will be \$10 million in the first year for international exchanges, and \$25 million in 2017. A focus for the funding will be on the upcoming Canada 150 celebration.

Telefilm will receive an additional \$22 million divided over the next five years with \$2 million this year, while the NFB will receive \$13.5 million, with \$1.5 million in 2016.

#### DID THE BUDGET MEET EXPECTATIONS?

"It's really pleasing to see after so many years of funding cuts, you have a government willing to make an investment in cultural creation. Our hope is some of it will be earmarked for Canadian original independent productions with Canadian talent." Elliott Anderson. acting director of public policy research and communication, ACTRA





"The (CCA's) budget will be doubled. It will take five years, as opposed to two, but it means the Canada Council can align its strategic plan over the next five years with the reinvestment by the government. It's a great day for the arts."

Simon Brault, CEO and director. Canada Council for the Arts







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#### **New-gen Volt** surprisingly simple to operate

Mike Goetz For Metro Canada

The all-new Chevrolet Volt introduced for model-year 2016 is many kilometres better than

its predecessor. We can actually peg it to 20 kilometres better, as its potential all-electric kilometre range is now up to 80-ish, from 60-ish. Unlike other hybrids, the gas engine in the Volt is designed and designated as a "range extender" for the electric drivetrain. The gas engine is not directly engaged to the drive wheels. When the engine runs, it always turns a generator, which in turn sends electricity to the motor wheels directly, or to the battery, or both. In any scenario, the Volt is always being propelled by its electric motors.

It feels like Volt engineers went through much analysis and brain sweat, before deciding on the final size and power of the gas engine, battery pack, and electric motors, because each affects the other so much, and the resulting price point and electric performance of the eventual car.

Ultimately they came up with a 1.5-litre engine of "regular" sophistication that runs on regular gas, and an electric powertrain featuring an 18kWh battery pack with 192 cells, and two motors. The electric bits are considerably

more powerful, and lighter, than their predecessors.

All this gives Volt noticeably more electric "jump" from a dead stop, and more electric range.

Combined with a body structure that is stronger and quieter, the combined effect is a Volt that is much more refined in feel and ride.

Volt can now seat five, instead of four, but the rear middle position is brutal. If you drew the short straw and end up there, you will be splaying your legs, to place one foot on either side of a tunnel, where part of the battery pack resides.

Up front it is decidedly better, with an all-new interface that does away with the previous car's irksome touchscreen.

Under electric mode the Volt is extremely quiet and quite powerful. The gas engine kicks in smoothly, but it doesn't add anything to the experience, acting as it is does on its own schedule, to keep supplying electrical juice. The main goodness of the Volt happens when it's operating in sole electric mode.

I had the Volt during a cold spell. I found myself constantly wondering how much of my limited electrical reserves to use for cabin heat, versus range. The combination of cold temps and lots of highway miles, meant my electric range for a full charge was nowhere near 80 kms.

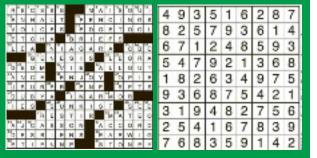
But overall, the Volt is impressive. With its bigger EV range, many more drivers can go petroleum-free for commutes, and Volt still gives you the option of using it for longer trips — an easy and satisfying way to transition to EV culture.



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# Rolls-Royce drops weight

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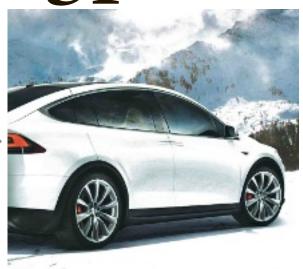


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#### BUSINESS

#### Model X adds to Tesla sales

Despite a bumpy ride in 2015, Tesla sales continued to gain momentum with more than 50,000 units delivered. Fourth-quarter sales figures reveal 17,400 cars delivered, including units of the recently unveiled Model X electric tall wagon. Bear in mind that 50,000 units, while a seemingly big number, is far less than the number of Ford F-150 pickups built in just one



#### IONIQ

#### 'Bold ambition' at Hyundai

The first car designed from the ground up to offer one of three distinct, advanced powertrains in a single body will be its manufacturer's "starting point" for future mobility. The loniq hatchback sedan embodies Hyundai's "new thinking and bold ambitions" for mobility, said Ioniq project manager, Rag Jung. The full lonig range will offer buyers a choice of electric, plug-in hybrid and hybrid powertrains, which is a first for a single model. Despite the claim of class-leading efficiency, Hyundai says the Ioniq will also deliver spirited handling and driving pleasure, things for which not all hybrids are lauded. The company also says that the lithium-ion polymer battery delivers "outstanding charge and discharge performance, optimizing output from the high voltage motor."



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With the Pacifica Hybrid's all-electric range of 50 kilometres, many urban owners will hardly ever need to use the minivan's 3.6-litre V6 gas engine. Built just south of Detroit in Windsor, Ont., the Pacifica Hybrid will be available in the second half of 2016. The hybrid version of the standard gasoline-powered Pacifica will have, according to the company, an efficiency rating of about 1.8 I/100km equivalent in city driving. Engineers placed the 16-kilowatt lithium-ion battery pack under the floor in the Stow 'n Go bins, meaning the vehicle's big cargo space is not compromised.







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Meet the If you were expecting revelation with the new Prius, you'll instead have to settle for refinement of the entire package. Fuel economy 2016 Toyota is claimed to be improved by about 10 per cent, the hybrid components are lighter and more compact, better interior materials is claimed to be improved by about 10 per cent, the hybrid comare in play, it's quieter and the car is designed to have a better ride and drive quality. JEFF MELNYCHUK WHEELBASE MEDIA

#### 1 Display

Driver display is not in line with the field of vision. "Normal" mode displays a blue background and the "Power" setting shows as red. The latter forgoes fuel economy for a bit more acceleration.

#### 2 Engine

The 1.8-litre four-cylinder engine is quieter and has lower internal friction than before, which means that it's more efficient.

#### Interior

Flexible interior space and a full cargo area as the battery pack is located under the rear seat.

#### 4 Design

Toyota says the design (probably the front) was inspired by a runner in the starting blocks. Total system output is not known, but it won't be all that athletic (around 150 horsepower). There's more glass area in the back for better visibility.

Automatic grille shutters close to block out air when cooling is not needed. SOURCE: TOYOTA



# Putting the surprise back into predictable F1 racing

The longest season in Formula One history also risks becoming its most extended test of patience if efforts to shake up the sport fall flat.

Last year was so predictable that even F1 supremo Bernie Ecclestone called it "boring," while runaway winner Lewis Hamilton agreed the crisisprone sport was "broken."

With a record 21 races in 2016, organizers have been searching hard for ways to boost flagging viewing figures for a series which is too often

dominated by one team.

The nightmare scenario another parade for Mercedes, whose drivers Hamilton and Nico Rosberg won 16 of the 19 grands prix last year and only missed pole position once.

Pre-season testing in which Mercedes clocked 6,024 kilometres, nearly a third more than their closest rivals Ferrari, cast a sense of foreboding over last week's season start in Melbourne, where Rosberg took the top position again for Mercedes.

Chief among the innovations is a much-debated new qualifying format, which steadily eliminates cars one by one and finishes in a top-two shoot-out.

But the new system doesn't look like it will have much impact on the quickest drivers, with Rosberg admitting last week he had not even bothered to look at it.

One fear is that it will introduce even more complexity to a sport already heavy on technicalities.

Toro Rosso's Carlos Sainz Jr said: "I read them (qualifying regulations) very briefly and I didn't understand them.'

"I just hope that the fans that are not big fans of Formula One and just turn on their TV on Sunday understand it and they know what's happening," he added, according to Autosport.com.

#### 'Not remote-controlled'

The cars should at least make more noise this year, with twin exhausts introduced after complaints from petrol-heads that the hybrid F1 engines were simply too quiet.

A big cut in radio communications will make a genuine difference, forcing drivers to make decisions rather than rely on their data-crunching teams in the pitlane.



Bernie Ecclestone, Formula One chief executive, poses for a selfie at the launch of the Lost Yeti Hunters - Mongol Rally. AFP

"Strategy, engine-mode deployment, tire choices, even up to a point pit stops, a lot will be down to the driver to decide," Mercedes boss Toto Wolff said on Autosport.com.

"Things will be less optimized by algorithms and engineers, and it will give room for error.

"What I like is that it is the driver who will be taking decisions, and not remote-controlled from the garage."

Hamilton warned that life was about to get much harder for drivers, who already have trouble mastering their cars' complicated systems.

"The idea is probably a good thing and you'll see it evolve over the races," he said.

"We're all going to struggle, probably in the first race in some way or some form, but we've tried to prepare the best way we can."

Meanwhile tire supplier Pirelli has introduced new 'ultra-soft' tires and greater flexibility in the teams' choice of rubber.

But complex rules surrounding tire choices have left many scratching their heads, while teams also must commit to their selections weeks in advance to ensure supply.



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### **Brussels attacks** put fear in soccer

Belgium's national soccer team called off a practice session in Brussels on Tuesday after the city was hit by what authorities are calling terror attacks.

"Our thoughts are with the victims. Football is not important today," the Belgian soccer federation wrote in a Twitter message. "Training cancelled."

Belgium will host Portugal in a friendly match next Tuesday at the King Baudouin Stadium in Brussels, where the practice was scheduled. The game is a warmup for this year's European Championship.

Belgium captain Vincent Kompany wrote on Twitter that he was "horrified and revolted" by the attacks.

"I wish for Brussels to act with dignity. We are all hurting, yet we must reject hate and its preachers. As hard as it may be. #Brussels," Kompany wrote.

Three explosions early Tuesday at the Brussels airport and the Maelbeek metro station near European Union offices have been called terror attacks by Belgian authorities. At least 31 people died.

One international soccer player was at the Zavantem airport where two explosions were reported. Norwich forward Dieumerci Mbokani, who is from Congo, was "unharmed but shaken by the tragic events," the English club said in a statement.

Mbokani was visiting family in Brussels, where he played for Anderlecht for two seasons until 2013. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Organizers announced last month that about
10,000 people had been
privately hired for
security for this summer's
European Championship in France.





MLB HAVANA GAME BRINGS U.S.-CUBA TOGETHER In a landmark game attended by presidents Barack Obama and Raul Castro, the Tampa Bay Rays beat the Cuban national team 4-1 Tuesday in the first visit by a major league team to the communist island since 1999.

# 'Under the microscope'

#### Owner Melnyk sounds off on moribund Senators

Ottawa Senators owner Eugene Melnyk isn't happy with his team's poor performance this season and he plans on doing something about it.

The Senators are longshots to make the playoffs and Melynk is less than impressed. He told reporters at Canadian Tire Centre on Tuesday that "nobody is safe."

"Frankly I am disappointed in where we are," he said. "We shouldn't be here. We had a lot bigger aspirations, but we are where we are and we're going to have to make changes for next year.'

Melnyk added that he plans to evaluate every aspect of the organīzation. "I'm looking

at all of it, right across the board, nobody is safe when you have a year like we just did," he said. "The status quo would just get us there again next

year and this team cannot sur-

This team cannot survive not making the playoffs.

Eugene Melynyk

You can't just throw money at these things. We all know other teams that would just throw money at things for decades and they've gotten nowhere. We need to do it a different way and I think we are.

Head coach Dave Cameron has guided the team to a 34-31-8 record entering

Tuesday's game against the visiting Washington Capitals. With 76 points, the Senators were seven points out of a playoff spot with nine games to play. Melnyk has been critical of Cameron in the past. He described the coach's decision to start Matt O'Connor in goal for the home opener last October as "stupidity."

It appears Cameron's role will be analyzed along with every other position.

"I think every single aspect of the team is under the microscope right now," Melnyk said. "This is hours and hours of work, microscoping every part from players to trainers to coaching to managerial, how we draft, what we draft, where did they end up. With something like this you do need an answer to fix it." THE CANADIAN PRESS



IN BRIEF

#### **Back problem forces** Norris out of game vs. Jays

Tigers starter Daniel Norris exited because of tightness in his lower back after getting just one out and Toronto Blue Jays went on to beat Detroit 16-1 Tuesday.

Norris, competing for the final spot in the rotation, gave up three runs on three hits and two walks. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

#### NYC greenlights MMA

New York's Assembly voted Tuesday to legalize mixed martial arts, clearing the way for fights late this year and expanding the combat sport into the last state to still prohibit it.

It was a significant victory for the sport's advo-cates and the UFC, MMA's biggest organizing body. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



vive not making the playoffs. "We have to do it by guts, we have to do it by hard work and we can get there. That's what we need to do. Nothing more.



































#### **RECIPE Vegetarian Tostados**



#### Ceri Marsh & Laura Keogh For Metro Canada

Once you have the basics of this recipe down, feel free to freestyle the toppings with whatever you like (or, let's be honest, what's on hand).

#### Ready in

Prep time: 5 minutes Cook time: 15 minutes

#### Ingredients

- 1 x 14 oz can black beans, rinsed •1/4 cup cilantro, roughly chopped
- 1/4 cup extra virgin olive oil, plus more for brushing
- 1 clove garlic, slicedy chopped cilantro plus 1/8 cup for garnish
- •1 lime, juiced
- pinch of salt
- 8 corn tortillas
- •1 ear of corn of fresh corn or 1 cup frozen
- 2 cups shredded iceberg lettuce
- 3/4 cup Monterey Jack
- cheese, grated • 1/4 cup sour cream

#### **Directions**

- 1. Preheat the oven to 425. In a food processor, place beans, oil, lime juice, garlic, cilantro and salt. Blend until mixture reaches the consistency of hummus. Remove from processor and spoon into a small bowl.
- 2. Boil corn until cooked. Remove from water and allow to cool a few minutes. Cut kernels from ear. Place in a bowl. Place shredded lettuce, shaved cheese, chopped cilantro and sour cream in various small bowls.
- 3. Lightly brush each tortilla with olive oil on each side and bake in oven on a cookie sheet for about 7 minutes. Remove and serve immediately.
- 4. Place tortilla on plate and layer with black bean dip, lettuce, cheese and corn. Feel free to free style this dish with additional toppings like peppers, tomatoes and slices of avocado.

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### \* IT'S ALL IN THE STARS Your daily horoscope by Francis Drake

Aries March 21 - April 20 Today you will strive to find a balance in everything you do, especially with work or your health. From here on, things will get better. Factoid.

Taurus April 21 - May 21 After the Full Moon peaks this morning, you will feel more in control of your life. You also will feel a balance between fun plans and your ability to make them a reality.

Gemini May 22 - June 21 Relations with others will improve after the Full Moon peaks this morning. You feel better between loyalty to partners and your home and family.

Cancer June 22 - July 23 The tension of today's Full Moon will subside after it peaks this morning. You will see an improve ment in all your communications with others — no question.

**Leo** July 24 - Aug. 23 Take it easy today to avoid accidents. However, your financial situation is looking better and better, isn't it? Good for you.

**Virgo** Aug. 24 - Sept. 23 Financial disputes will calm down after this morning. This is just one example of how you are starting to feel a balance between your home obligations and your personal freedom.

**Libra** Sept. 24 - Oct. 23 You will feel better after the Full Moon peaks this morning. You will also have a better direction and a better idea about your future plans.

**Scorpio** Oct. 24 - Nov. 22 Tension on the work front will relax after the Full Moon peaks this morning. Ultimately, you feel an increasing confidence in your financial future and your ability to earn money. Bravo!

**Sagittarius** Nov. 23 - Dec. 21 Difficulties with friends will subside after the Full Moon peaks this morning. In fact, your relations with everyone - especially authority figures - will move to a more solid footing.

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20 You will feel calmer after the Full Moon peaks this morning. In fact. future travel plans or plans regarding further education look doable and even sensible. Yay!

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19 Life will be easier after the Full Moon peaks this morning. You can breathe a sigh of relief because you see that you have the support of others, which is what you really wanted.

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Feb. 20 - March 20 Financial tensions will diminish after the Full Moon peaks this morning. Your ambition to make a name for yourself looks much more doable.

You have faith in your future!

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